

MONTGOMERY COUNTY PUBLIC LIBRARIES

OUR VISION

Montgomery County Public Libraries are the gateway for easy and equitable access to information, ideas and enrichment; where the lifelong learning needs of people are met by a diverse staff through traditional library services and new methods of information delivery; and where community needs and interests are understood in the planning and provision of all types of library services.

OUR MISSION

The public library offers free and equal access to services and resources to assist the people of Montgomery County in finding ideas and information to sustain and enrich their lives.

OUR VALUES

Montgomery County Public Libraries believes in the right of all individuals to learn and to grow. We value intellectual freedom, quality service, diversity, fairness, professional ethics, and respect for our customers, our community, and ourselves.

All Library
Branches and Offices
will be CLOSED for
WINTER HOLIDAYS

December 24 closing @ 5pm December 25 - 27

NEW YEAR'S DAY
December 31 closing @ 5 pm
January 1 - 2

MARTIN LUTHER KING BIRTHDAY
January 17 - 18

PRESIDENTS' DAY February 14 - 15

MESSAGE FROM THE DIRECTOR



The winter season is upon us. The weather is changing; there's a chill in the air; and it's always a great time to visit your public library! MCPL has a wide variety of books, DVDs, movies and more, as well as exciting programs for all ages.

Parents can attend our popular preschool storytime programs that incorporate early learning techniques and rhythm and movement activities to introduce young children to books and reading. These programs for babies, toddlers, and

preschoolers are great "family time" programs!

All are invited to visit the library and enjoy the special programs in celebration of Black History Month and Chinese Lunar New Year. Programs feature African American stories by renowned storyteller, Charlotte Blake Alston and Chinese lion dance performances by the Washington, DC Chinese Youth Club. Our keynote Black History Month program for adults and teens (ages 15 and older) will feature A'Lelia Bundles, the great-great granddaughter of Madam C. J. Walker who will discuss "Black Economic Empowerment."

Come and "Meet The Author." Dan Balz, national political analyst and author of *The Battle for America 2008: The Story of an Extraordinary Election*, and Connie Briscoe, the New York Times best-selling author of *Sisters and Husbands*, are coming to MCPL in January and February. Children (ages 7-12) will have the opportunity to meet Heidi Mordhorst, local author of *Squeeze: Poems for a Juicy Universe*.

Adults will enjoy the cool jazz sounds of noted jazz pianist, Dick Morgan, and teens are invited to come and enjoy the progressive hip hop sounds of ChristyLez Bacon.

And don't forget ... your MCPL library card gives you access to online resources and databases, and online access to your account information 24/7! Do you know you can get your holds notification faster and avoid late fees by getting account information alerts when you sign up for e-mail notification? Visit our website for more information and to sign up.

A complete listing of MCPL events can be found on our website, www. montgomerycountymd.gov/library. Follow MCPL on Twitter to get updates and alerts about upcoming events.

Don't miss the excitement. Visit your library today!

B. Parker Hamilton Director

Montgomery County Public Libraries...

... Where the County Reads
... Where the County Meets

... Where the County Learns

Black History Month Programs for All Ages



Charlotte Blake Alston

Master Storyteller, Narrator and Singer

February 23

LONG BRANCH LIBRARY

10:30 am Come Tell with Me! Stories for 3-5 year olds

GERMANTOWN LIBRARY

/pm Tell The Stories So That They May Know PROGRAM FOR ADULTS February 24

CHEVY CHASE LIBRARY

10:30 am Come Tell with Me! Stories for 3-5 year olds

SILVER SPRING LIBRARY

7pm Let My Stories Tell You Who I Am Stories for all ages

Keynote Program

"Black Economic Empowerment"

A'Lelia Bundles

Great-Great Granddaughter of Madam C.J. Walker

ROCKVILLE LIBRARY

February 9, 7:00 pm

A'Lelia Bundles is an author, journalist and former network television news executive.

She is currently at work on a biography of her great grandmother and namesake,

A' Lelia Walker, who was a central figure of the Harlem Renaissance.



Do You Know?

You can get library alerts by e-mail!

Get your holds notification faster! Save money by avoiding late fees!

SIGN UP FOR E-MAIL NOTIFICATION!

You will receive e-mail alerts . . .

When the items you requested are ready for pickup

When the items you've borrowed are due to be returned

For more information and to register, visit our website: www.montgomerycountymd.gov/library

Go to "E mail Notification." Use the form to register for email notification or to update your email address.

ROCKVILLE Grand Opening!



Video Phone Service

Saturday, December 5, 11 AM

The first full week of December marks the Clerc and Gallaudet Week observance. Join us as we unveil a new video phone service for the deaf and hard of hearing community at the Rockville Library. Equipment is provided by Sorenson Communications Inc.

Refreshments provided.

Meet the Author @ MCPL

Michael Dirda

Pulitzer Prize Winning Author Washington Post Editor

WHITE OAK LIBRARY

December 16, 7pm



Dan Balz

Washington Post Political Correspondent

"The Battle for America 2008: The Story of an Extraordinary Election"

DAVIS LIBRARY

January 11, 7pm

GAITHERSBURG LIBRARY

January 27, 7:30pm

Connie Briscoe

NY Times Bestselling Author "Sisters and Husbands"

MARILYN PRAISNER LIBRARY

February 6, 2pm



Robert Chartrand

Retired Senior Information Specialist from the Library of Congress. "Politics In Our Time: Its' Humor, Ho-Hums, and Horrifies"

ROCKVILLE LIBRARY

February 9, 7pm

Katherine Neville

Bestselling Author "The Eight"

KENSINGTON PARK

February 27, 1pm



Lunar New Year Celebrations

BETHESDA

Saturday, February 20, 2pm Join Amy Chen for games, crafts and more!

POTOMAC

Saturday, February 20, 10am
Demonstrations — participate
in activities showcasing traditional
Chinese arts, dance, painting, paper
cutting, calligraphy. Presented by
Madison Chinese Dance.



Chinese Lion Dancers



Performed by the Washington, DC Chinese Youth Club.

WHITE OAK

February 6, 1 pm

SILVER SPRING

February 13, 11 am

GERMANTOWN

February 27, 1 pm

More celebrations coming in March!

Library Lovers Month Kick-Off Program

SILVER SPRING

January 30, 11 am

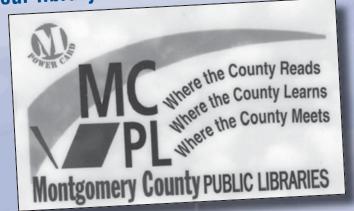
Mad Hatter's Tea Party



Dress up as your favorite literary character and celebrate libraries! Arts and crafts activities. Refreshments. For children accompanied by an adult. Sponsored by

the Friends of the Library Montgomery County.

Your library card gives you FREE access



to thousands of books, DVDs, CDs & more!



February is Library Lover's Month!



Join the Friends of the Library, a support group of volunteers who provide fundraising and other assistance for many libraries.

Volunteer @ Your Library

Volunteer your time. Call your local library to find out about volunteer opportunties.



Research has shown that everyone loves libraries. That's where you come in. You don't have to be a public relations expert to promote your library. You just have to talk about your library!

Book Sales!

QUINCE Orchard

10 am - 1 pm December 5 January 9 February 6

POTOMAC

11am - 2pm December 12 January 9 February 13

MARILYN J. PRAISNER

December 19, 10am - 12 pm December 21, 5 - 7 pm January 16, 10 am - 12 pm February 20, 10 am - 12 pm February 22, 5 - 7 pm

Live Music @ the Library

TWINBROOK

January 23, 2pm

GAITHERSBURG

February 7, 2pm



DICK MORGAN





What's **NEW** @ your library?

ConsumerReports.org

Product ratings, reviews, and buying advice. Now available to MCPL cardholders through our website link.



ADULT PROGRAMS BOOK DISCUSSIONS

* REGISTRATION REQUIRED Please call the library to check dates and times of programs.

Join librarians or volunteers who lead discussion of selected books.

The books are generally available at the branches one month before the discussion date.

ASPEN HILL

Book Discussion

Mondays, December 14, January 11, February 8, 1 PM December: *The Reader* by Bernard Schlink. January: *Olive Kitteridge* by Elizabeth Strout. February: *A Free Life* by Ha Jin.

BETHESDA

French Book Discussion

A discussion of books written in French and discussed in French. Monday, December 7, 2 PM Sous les vents de Neptune by Fred Vargas.

Wednesday, December 16, 7:30 PM Sous les vents de Neptune by Fred Vargas.

Bethesda Reads

Tuesday, December 8, 10:30 AM *Run* by Ann Patchett.

Classics in Context

Tuesday, December 15, 7 PM *A Man of Property* by John Galsworthy. Thursday, December 17, 7 PM *Eminent Victorians* by Lytton Strachey.

CHEVY CHASE

Different Books Book Group*

Wednesdays, January 6, February 3, 2:30 PM January: *Triggerfish Twist* by Tim Dorsey. February: *Fahrenheit 451* by Ray Bradbury.

Jefferson Cafe and Discussion*

Friday, January 15, 10:30 AM "Civility in the town hall."

Chevy Chase Reads*

Wednesdays, January 27, February 24, 2:30 PM January: *Cutting for Stone* by Abraham Verghese. February: *Brother, I'm Dying* by Edwidge Danticat. Titles are subject to change.

DAVIS

Book Discussion

Wednesdays, December 16, January 27, February 24, 7 PM December: *The Geography of Bliss* by January: *The Housekeeper and the Professor* by Yoko Ogawa. February: *Land of Marvels* by Barry Unsworth.

GAITHERSBURG

Mystery Book Discussion*

Wednesdays, December 9, January 13, February 10, 7 PM

December: Silence by Thomas Perry

January: *A Bloodhound to Die For* by Virginia Lanier. February: *One for the Money* by Janet Evanovich

Adult Book Discussion*

Wednesdays, December 16, January 20, February 17, 7 PM December: *March* by Geraldine Brooks. January: *The Girl With the Pearl Earring* by Tracy Chevalier.

February: *The Blind Assassin* by Margaret Atwood.

Chinese Book Discussion*

Thursdays, January 21, February 18, 10 AM January: *The Rivers In Time - A Cultural History* by Xu Zhuoyun. February: *Interpretation of Zhuangzi* by Yu Dan

GERMANTOWN

Novel Views: the Germantown Library Book Club

Tuesday, December 1, 7 PM *Middlesex* by Jeffrey Eugenides.

African American Book Club

Sundays, January 24, February 21, 3 PM January: *This Bitter Earth* by Bernice McFadden. February: *Casanegra* by Blair Underwood.

KENSINGTON PARK

Book Talk

Tuesdays, January 26, February 23, 11AM January: *Out Stealing Horses* by Per Petterson. February: *Song Yet Sung* by James MacBride.

LONG BRANCH

Talk About Books

Wednesdays, December 16, January 20, February 17, 2 PM December: *The 19th Wife* by David Ebershoff. January: *The Lace Reader* by Brunonia Barry. February: *Outliers* by Malcolm Gladwell.

MARILYN J. PRAISNER

African American Book Discussion*

Tuesdays, December 1, January 5 and February 2, 7 PM December: *Come On, People* by Bill Cosby and Alvin F. Toussaint.

Mystery Book Discussion

Wednesdays, December 2, January 6, February 3, 7 PM
December: *Dating Dead Men* by Harley Kozak.
January: *Nightshade* by Susan Albert Wittig.
February: *Messenger of Truth*by Jacqueline Winspear.

Literary Salon*

Tuesdays, January 28, February 25, 7 PM Bring your own work to share or share the work of a favorite author.

Morning Book Discussion

Thursdays, December 17, January 28, February 25, 10:30 AM December: *Student of Living Things* by Susan Shreve. January: *Goldengrove* by Francine Prose. February: *Serena* by Ron Rash.

OLNEY

Morning Book Discussion

Tuesdays, December 1, January 5, February 2, 10:30 AM December: *World to Come* by Dara Horn January: *The Shadowcatcher* by Marianne Wiggins February: *The Dive from Clausen's*

Pier by Ann Packer.

Evening Book DiscussionTuesdays, December 8, January

12, February 9, 7 PM December: *Savage Garden* by Mark Mills January: *The Liberated Bride* by A.B. Yehoshua. February: *The Perfect Man* by Naeem Murr.

POOLESVILLE

Book Discussion Group

Mondays, January 25, February 22, 7:30 PM January: *Plato and a Platypus Walk into a Bar* by Thomas Cathcart and Daniel Klein. February: *The Girl with the Dragon Tattoo* by Stieg Larsson.

POTOMAC

Book Club

Wednesdays, December 16, January 20, February 17, 1 PM

Chinese Language Book Club

Chinese book discussion in Chinese language Tuesdays, January 5, February 2, 7 PM *Liang Qichao and His Children* by Liming Wu. February: *Five People You Meet in Heaven* by Mitch Albom.

QUINCE ORCHARD

African American Book Group

Thursdays, December 3, February 4, 7 PM December: *The Beautiful Things that Heaven Bears* by Mengestu Dinaw February: *Rebel Yell* by Alice Randall.

Chinese Book Discussion

Discuss books written in Chinese Wednesdays, January 20, February 17, 7 PM January: *The Smiling, Proud Wanderer* by Chin Yung. February: *Love Makes You Beautiful* by Yong Liu.

ADULT PROGRAMS BOOK DISCUSSIONS MORE

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Join librarians or volunteers who lead discussion of selected books.

The books are generally available at the branches one month before the discussion date.

Bilingual Spanish/English Book Discussion

Book discussion in Spanish. Wednesdays, January 27, February 24, 7 PM Title to be announced.

ESL Book Discussion

Discuss books written in English.
Thursdays, January 28, February 25, 1 PM
January: *The Last Lecture* by Randy Pausch.
February: *The Bond: three young men learn to forgive and reconnect with their fathers* by Sampson Davis.

Librarian's Choice Book Discussion

Thursdays, January 28, February 25, 7:30 PM January: *Serena* by Ron Rash. February: *Ms. Hempel Chronicles* by Sarah Shun-lien Bynum.

ROCKVILLE

Talking Book Discussion Group

Wednesdays, December 16, January 20, February 17, 11 AM December: *The Guernsey Literary and Potato Peel Society* by Mary Ann Shaffer. January: *Alice in Wonderland* by Lewis Carroll. February: *Ragtime* by E.L. Doctorow.

Book Discussion

Thursdays, December 3, January 28, February 25, 7 PM
December: How Doctors Think
by Jerome Groopman.
January: Ghost in Love by Jonathan Carroll.
February: The Man in the White Sharkskin Suit by Lucette Matalon Lagnado.

Chinese Book Discussion

Tuesdays, December 15, January 19, February 16, 7 PM December: The Rueful Monarchy by Yi, Zhongtian. January: Chess King, Tree King, and the Kids' Leader by Acheng. February: Silent Farewell by Long, Yingtai.

African American Book Discussion Group

Thursdays, January 21, February 18, 6 PM January: *Dreams From My Father* by Barack Obama. February: *Not a Day Goes By* by E. Lynn Harris.

TWINBROOK

Book Club

Tuesdays, December 15, January 19, February 16, 7:30 PM Join us every third Tuesday as we discuss the choice of the month.

WHEATON

African American Book Group

Thursday, December 10, 7 PM What is the What by Dave Eggers.

Adult Book Discussion

Tuesdays, December 15, January 19, February 16, 11 AM December: *Blink* by Malcolm Gladwell. January: *Lost Painting* by Jonathan Harr. February: *Curious Incident of the Dog in the Night Time* by Mark Haddon.

WHITE OAK

Mystery & Thriller Book Discussion

Tuesday, December 15, 7 PM

The Janissary Tree by Jason Goodwin.

Tuesday Morning Book Discussion

Tuesdays, December 22, January 26, February 23, 10:30 AM December: The Alchemist by Paulo Coelho. January: White Tiger by Arvind Adiga February: Title to be determined.

African-American Book Discussion Group

Tuesdays, January 12 and February 9, 7 PM December: *The Brief Wondrous Life of Oscar Wao* by Junot Díaz February: *Stormy Weather: The Life of Lena Horne* by James Gavin

Wednesday Evening Book Discussion

Wednesdays, December 9, January 13, February 10, 7:30 PM December: *Water for Elephants* by Sara Gruen January: *Darling Jim* by Christian Moerk February: *Carnivore Diet* by Julia Slavin

Mystery & Thriller Book Discussions

Tuesdays, December 15, January 19, February 16, 7 PM December: *Janissary Tree* by Jason Goodwin



Learn:

- How to expand contacts and become more successful at marketing oneself
- The Do's and Don'ts of Your Resume a key marketing tool
- The Keys to Mastering the Interview Process

QUINCE ORCHARD

January 11, February 8, 10:30 - 11:30 am

ROCKVILLE

January 13, February 10, 10:30 - 11:30 am

Presented by the Jewish Social Services Agency (JSSA), Employment and Career Services. Registration requested with name and e-mail address; call 301-610-8380.

ADULT BUSINESS

ROCKVILLE

REDI Business Seminar

Wednesdays, December 9, 22; January 13, 26, February 10, 23, 9 AM. Wednesday, December 16, 12 PM. Wednesday, January 20, 9:30 AM Workshop on business plan writing. To RSVP or for further information, contact REDI at 301-315-8096 or email glucksman@RockvilleREDI.org

Proposal Writing Basics for Nonprofits

Monday, December 14, 10 AM A basic overview of the proposal-writing process. Sponsored by the Foundation Center's Cooperating Collection. Register online at http://foundationcenter.org/washington/training/RockvilleSeries.html or call (202) 331-1400.



CONVERSATION CL REGISTRATION REQUIRED Please call the library to check times of programs.

Practice English or Spanish and improve language skills by talking with others in an informal setting, led by volunteers.

ASPEN HILL

English Conversation Club

Wednesdays, December 2 - February 24, 10 AM Saturdays, December 5 - February 27, 10 AM Mondays, December 7 - February 22, 10 AM

Spanish Conversation Club

Mondays, December 7 - February 22, 10 AM

BETHESDA

English Conversation Club

Wednesdays, December 2- February 24, 2 PM (except December 23, December 30) Thursdays, December 3 - December 17, January 7 - February 25, 1 PM. Thursdays, December 3 - February 25, 10:15 AM

DAVIS

English Conversation Club

Thursdays, December 3 - February 25 10:15 AM. (no meeting on December 24 or 31)

GAITHERSBURG

English Conversation Club

Tuesday, December 1 - February 23, 7 PM Thursdays, December 3 - February 25, 7 PM Fridays, December 4 - December 18, January 8 - February 26, 10:30 AM Tuesdays, February 16, 23, 10:30 AM

Multilingual English Conversation Club

Tuesdays, December 1- February 9, 10:30 AM

GERMANTOWN

English Conversation Club

Tuesdays, December 1 - February 24, 10:30 AM Wednesdays, December 2 - February 25, 7 PM

LONG BRANCH

Conversation Club

Saturdays, December 5 - February 27, 11 AM

MARILYN J. PRAISNER

English Language Conversation Club

Saturdays, December 5 - February 27, 10 AM

OLNEY

Conversation Club

Mondays, December 7 - February 22, 7:15 PM

POTOMAC

English Language Conversation Club

Saturdays, December 5 - February 27, 3 PM

English Conversation Club

Tuesdays, December 1 - February 23, 10 AM, Fridays, December 4 - February 26, 10:15 AM Saturdays, December 5 - February 27, 10 AM

Spanish Conversation Club

Mondays, December 7 - February 22, 6:30 PM

ROCKVILLE

Spanish Conversation Club

Thursdays, December 3 - February 25, 6 PM

English Conversation Club

Tuesdays, December 1 - February 26, 10 AM

American Sign Language Practice Club

Practice sign language. Basic knowledge of sign language is required. Mondays, February 1 - February 22, 7:15 PM

TWINBROOK

Conversation Club

Thursdays, December 3 - February 25, 10 AM Mondays, December 7 - February 22, 6:30 PM

WHEATON

Tuesday Morning English

Tuesdays, December 1 - February 23, 10 AM

Spanish Conversation Club

Tuesdays, December 1 - February 23, 6:30 PM

English Conversation Club

Thursdays, December 3 - February 25 (except December 24), 7 PM

WHITE OAK

English Conversation Club

Mondays, December 7 - February 22, 7 PM

QUINCE ORCHARD

7 PM. Thursdays, December 3 - February 25, 10 AM

FILMS

KENSINGTON **PARK**

Films Based on Books

Wednesday December 16, 6:30 PM Whale Rider A young girl tries to prove that she can be

Wednesday January 27, 6:30 PM The Remains of the Day,

a leader. PG-13

This bittersweet story centers on Stevens and his dedication to his master, Lord Darlington. PG-13

Wednesday February 24, 6:30 PM Proud, Based on **Proudly We Served: The** Men of the USS Mason by Mary Pat Kelly. PG





MASTER GARDENERS

POOLESVILLE

Grow It. Eat It!*

Wednesday, January 13, 7 PM

Prepare for Spring! Master Gardeners Terri Pitts and Pam Hosimer will discuss different aspects of planning your vegetable garden during the winter months.



ATERNET CLASSES MORE

* REGISTRATION REQUIRED Please call the library to check dates and times of programs.

DAMASCUS

Beginning Internet & Computer Basics for Adults*

Wednesdays, December 2 through February 24, 7 PM Thursdays, December 3 through February 25, 10 AM

KENSINGTON PARK

Internet Class II*

Thursdays, December 17 and February 25, 9 AM

Internet Class I*

Thursday, January 28, 9 AM

LITTLE FALLS

Very Beginners*

Thursdays, December 3, (sign up begins November 27), January 14, 9 AM (sign up begins January 8)

Begin Blogging Using Blogger*

Thursday, December 10, Friday, December 11, 9 AM Create your own blog using Google Blogger. (one hour on Dec. 10th and one hour on Dec. 11th). Prerequisite is a Gmail account and have a blog title and topic in mind. Signup begins Dec. 4th.

Searching I*

Thursday, January 28, 9 AM

Learn tools and techniques for searching the internet. The prerequisite for this class is the Very Beginners Computer Class or some experience using an internet computer. Signup begins January 22.

Searching II*

Thursday, February 11, 9 AM Learn more tools and techniques for searching the internet including health information. The prerequisite for this class is the Very Beginners Computer Class or some experience using an internet computer. Signup begins February 5.

Searching III*

Thursday, February 25, 9 AM Learn more tools and techniques for searching the internet including finding magazine articles. The prerequisite for this class is the Very Beginners Computer Class or some experience using an internet computer.



LONG BRANCH

Computer Tutorials*

Every day except Sundays, Thursdays and holidays, December 1 through February 27, 10 AM Individual tutorials to learn basic Internet skills and email. Appointments scheduled between 10AM-4PM.

ROCKVILLE

Saturday Adaptive Technology Sessions*

Saturdays, December 5 and January 23, 1 PM Holiday-themed downloadable ebooks and music session - bring your flashdrive, Victor Stream, or laptop for a discussion and hands-on in the Rockville Library's Computer Lab from 1-3 p.m. To register, email drcinfo@montgomerycountymd.gov or call 240-777-0001.

Saturdays, January 30 and February 6, 1 PM Discussion and demonstration of social networking websites and applications in the Rockville Library's Computer Lab from 1-3 p.m. To register, email drcinfo@ montgomerycountymd.gov or call 240-777-0001.

Saturday, February 27, 1 PM

Discussion and demonstration of some of the technologies available for people who have learning and reading disabilities. Learn practical information about technology solutions to help with reading and organizing, including what's available at the Rockville Computer Lab.

50+ and Living Well

ASPEN HILL

Blood Pressure Screening

Thursdays, December 17, January 21, February 18, 10 AM Blood pressure taken by an American Red Cross volunteer. 10-11:45 am. Free.

GAITHERSBURG

Senior Health Insurance Counseling

Wednesday, December 16 and January 20, 10 AM Wednesday, February 17, 10 AM A Senior Health Insurance Counseling and Advocacy Program (SHIP) adviser will answer questions concerning) Medicare, Medigap, insurance claims and assistance with securing legal support for insurance problems. Drop in or schedule an appointment at 301-590-2819.

Health Care

KENSINGTON PARK

Blood Pressure Clinic

Thursdays, December 17, January 21, February 18, 1:30 PM Blood pressure reading and blood monitoring test for glucose. Offered for adults by a registered nurse from Arden Courts Assisted Living. 1:30 to 2:30 PM.

WHEATON

Senior Health Insurance Counseling

Tuesdays, December 8 and January 12, 11 AM A Maryland SHIP volunteer will meet with individual seniors and family members to answer questions about claims, supplemental insurance, Medicare, etc. Call 301-590-2819 to make an appointment.

Blood Pressure Screening

Wednesdays, December 16, January 20 and February 17, 10:30 AM Free service is provided by the American Red Cross and is available until 12:30 P.M.

CHILDREN OF ALL AGES FAMILY SPECIAL EVENTS

* REGISTRATION REQUIRED Please call the library to check dates and times of programs.

LONG BRANCH

Chess Club

Wednesdays, December 2 through February 24, 3:30 PM Learn to play chess with others.

GAITHERSBURG

Opera Club

Thursdays, December 10, January 14 and February 11, 7 PM Tuesdays, December 15, January 19 and February 16, 7 PM

Sunday Stories

Sundays, December 13, January 10 and 24; February 7 and 21, 12:30 PM Stories, rhymes, music and stretches for all ages.



POOLESVILLE

Library Lovers Month

February 1 through February 26
All Day. February is the month
for Library Lovers. Poolesville
Library will have various activities
recognizing libraries during
the month.

ROCKVILLE

Prelude Recital

Saturday, December 12, 2 PM
Student musicians with hearing loss
Janice Rosen, Wendy Cheng, and Bob Swain perform their favorite works
from Bach to musical theater.



POTOMAC

Winter Concert NIH Chamber Singers

Saturday, December 5, 1:30 PM
The NIH Chamber Singers present a winter concert of seasonal selections.

Piano Starts Here: The Young Art Tatum

Saturday, January 30, 10:30 AM
Barbara Wing's students, Young Pianists
of Bethesda, present jazz selections to
illustrate the story of Art Tatum.





LITTLE FALLS

Poetry Workshop

Saturdays, December 5, January 2 and February 6, 2 PM

Would you like some feedback on your poetry musings?
Bring ten copies (to distribute to the other participants)
of the piece you would like critiqued.
This workshop is FREE and open to all ages.

Holiday Sing-a-Long

Saturday, December 12, 10 AM Lyrics and refreshments will be provided.



I Love the Library Family Celebration

Saturday, February 13, 9:30 AM
Arts and crafts and a special performance at 11:00.
Help Little Falls Library celebrate
it's 50th Anniversary!

TWINBROOK

Holiday Concert

Thursday, December 10, 7 PM
NIH Chamber singers are back to delight us with
beautiful selections for the holiday season.

Young Musicians Showcase

Thursday, January 14, 7 PM

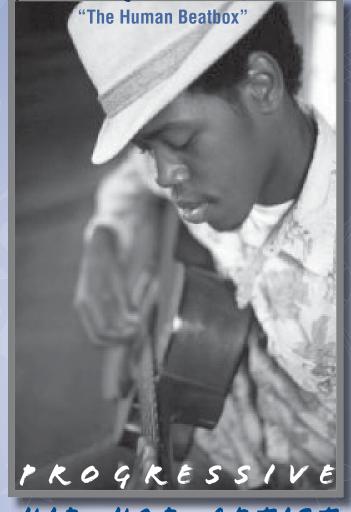
Talented students from the violin studio of Vera Vardanian are performing a variety of classical compositions.

Parent/Childcare Workshop: Green and Growing Workshop*

Tuesday, December 8, 6:30 PM

Workshop for childcare providers. How to create developmentally an appropriate curriculum on enviromental issues for preschool-aged children.

CHRISTYLEZ BACON
"The Human Beatbox"





STAY TUNED . . .

More
Performances
Coming
to MCPL
in March!



BETHESDA February 6, 2 PM

GAITHERSBURG

February 8, 4 PM

TWINBROOK

February 10, 4:30 PM

GAMES

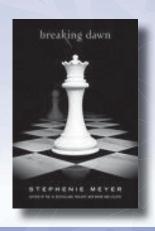
OUINCE ORCHARD

Teen Game Time

Tuesdays, January 26, February 23, 3 PM

It's the end of the month!
Come celebrate and join us
for Teen Game Time! Classic board games
and current favorites - from Scrabble
and Taboo to Wii and Xbox,
we have it all!
Snacks will be provided.

BOOK DISCUSSION



GERMANTOWN

Twilight Book Club*

Saturday, December 12, 2 PM

A discussion of Stephenie Meyer's book, *Breaking Dawn*. the 4th and final book in the Twilight series. For middle and high school students.

CHILDREN'S BOOKCLUBS SPECIAL

* REGISTRATION REQUIRED Please call the library to check dates and times of programs.

EVENTS

BETHESDA

Read Aloud To Taylor, A Therapy Dog

Thursdays, December 10, January 7 and February 4, 4 PM Tickets for a 15-minute session each will be distributed beginning at 3:30; first come, first served. Ages 6-12.

Fun With Amelia Bedelia.

Saturday, December 19, 10 AM Meet this famous housekeeper, and help to celebrate her birthday! Space is limited; tickets will be handed out beginning at 10 AM. Ages 5-8.

Jewelry Arts and Crafts for Kids

Saturday, January 9, 11 AM
See how simple it is to create your own
bracelet, necklace or other craft! Space is
limited; tickets will be handed out beginning
at 10:30. For ages 6 and up with adult
supervision.

LITTLE FALLS

Capital Choices Bookclub*

Tuesdays, December 15, January 12 and February 16,4:30 PM A monthly book discussion for grades 4 and 5.

Act it Out Kids Book Club*

ROCKVILLE

Mondays, December 21, January 25 and February 22, 7 PM

Kindergarten, first and second grades.
Share stories and act them out.



MARILYN J. PRAISNER

Chess Club

Tuesdays, December 8 through February 23, 6:30 PM Learn to play chess or sharpen your skills. Ages 8 and up.

Young Reader's Book Club*

Tuesdays, December 15, January 19 and February 16, 7 PM One hour book discussion program followed by a craft. 1st through 3rd grades.

QUINCE ORCHARD

Children's Book Club

Wednesdays, December 9, January 13 and February 10, 7 PM Children in grades 4-6 are invited to read and participate in our monthly book discussion. A craft activity follows each discussion.

ROCKVILLE

Kids Book Club*

Thursdays, December 3, January 7 and February 4, 7 PM Grades 3, 4, and 5. Come and discuss the selected book.

Movies for Preschoolers

Thursday, December 10, 10:15 AM Come in out of the cold and watch some movies!

TWINBROOK

Hooks and Needles

Wednesdays, December 2 February 24 at 6 PM
Bring a friend and learn to crochet and knit, too! Bring your own supplies. Or if you already know how to crochet or knit, bring your project and meet new people. Ages 12 and up.

Storytelling Club

Thursdays, December 3, January 7 and February 4, 4:30 PM Listen to stories, learn how to tell stories. Ages 8 and up.

Poetry Club

Thursdays, December 17, January 21 and February 18, 4:30 PM. Read poems, learn how to write and tell poems. Ages 8 and up.

Heidi Mordhorst Local Author of *Squeeze:* Poems for a Juicy Universe

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BETHESDA

Sunday, December 13, 1:30 PM

Also featuring, winter gift poetry workshop. Each participant will create a poetry gift for a loved one. Space is limited: tickets will be handed out beginning at 1 PM.

Ages 7-12.

THE BLACK HALL OF FAME SHOW











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Share stories, songs and fingerplays designed to enrich your child's language development. (Children must be accompanied by adult or caregiver)

PRESCHOOL

ASPEN HILL

Tuesday Tales

Tuesdays, December 1, 8, 15; January 5, 12, 26; February 2, 9, 23, 10:30 AM. Songs, fingerplays, and other fun activities.

BETHESDA

Story Hour

Wednesdays, December 2, 9, 10:30 AM. Stories, songs, rhymes and early literacy activities. Ages 3 & up

DAMASCUS

Alphabet Adventures Preschool Story Time

Tuesdays, December 1, 8, January 19, 26, February 2, 9, 16, 23, 10:30 AM Wednesdays, December 2, 9; January 20, 27, February 3, 10, 17, 24, 1:30 PM Stories, songs, rhymes, and fingerplays. Ages 3-5.

GAITHERSBURG

Preschool Storytime

Wednesdays, December 23, January 27, February 24, 10:30 AM. Stories, songs, music and movement.

GERMANTOWN

Preschool Storytime

Fridays, January 8, February 5, 10:15 AM Storytime for ages 3 - 6 and their families.

Family Storytime

Saturdays, January 30, February 27, 9:30 AM Storytime for preschoolers of all ages and their families.

KENSINGTON PARK

Preschool Storytime Mondays, December 21, January 25, February 22, 10 AM. Fun stories, flannel boards, songs, film, and fingerplays for the season. Ages 3 to 6.

LONG BRANCH

Bilingual Storytime

Wednesdays, December 2, January 20, February 17, 10:30 AM Stories, songs and fingerplays. Ages 2-5.

Preschool Storytime

Fridays, December 4, 11, 18; January 8, 15, 22; February 5, 12, 19. 10:30 AM. Ages 2-5. Enjoy stories, songs and fingerplays.

MARILYN J. PRAISNER

Preschool Storytime

Fridays, December 11, 10:30 AM January 15, 29, February 12, 26, 10:15, and 11:15 AM. Stories, rhymes, songs, and an activity. Ages 2-6 with adult caregiver.

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Family Storytime*

Wednesdays, December 9; January 13, 27, February 24, 9:30 AM and 10:30 AM Books, songs, rhymes and fingerplays.

OLNEY

Family Storytime

Thursdays, December 3, 10, 17, January 14, 21, 28; February 4, 11, 18, 10:15 AM, 1:30 PM. Stories, songs, fingerplays, and a film. Ages 2-5.

POOLESVILLE

Threes - Sixes Storytime

Thursdays, December 17, January 28, February 25, 10:30 AM. Stories, fingerplays and music.

QUINCE ORCHARD

Preschool Story Time

Thursdays, December 10, January 14, February 11, 10:15 AM. Stories, song and more. Ages 3-6.

Penny Theatre*

Thursdays, December 17, January 21, February 18, 10:15 AM; 11:15 AM and 1:15 PM Two Penny Theatre performances. Ages 3-6.

ROCKVILLE

Preschool Storytime

Thursdays, December 17, January 14, February 11, 1:15 PM. Thursdays, January 7, February 4, 10:15 AM. Stories, music, and action activities. Ages 3 1/2 - 6.

SILVER SPRING

Bedtime Stories with Mother Goose & Friends

Tuesday, December 22, 7 PM Wednesdays, January 27, February 10, 7 PM Stories, music, and movement. Ages 3-6.

TWINBROOK

Preschool Story Time

Tuesdays, December 8, January 12, February 9, 10:30 AM. Stories, songs, rhymes, chants, flannel board stories, and a simple craft. Ages 2-5.

Family Storytime

Saturdays, December 19, January 17, 31, February 14, 28, 11 AM. A storytime designed for families with young children.

WHEATON

Preschool Storytime

Wednesdays, December 16, January 20, February 17, 10:15 and 11:15 AM. Stories, songs, rhymes, and more. Ages 24 mos to 6 years. Limit one ticket per child and no more than one adult per child. Free tickets are required; available immediately before each program.

WHITE OAK

Preschool Storytime

Thursdays, December 3, 10 and 17 and February 4, 11 and 18, 10:15 AM. Stories, songs and fingerplays. Ages 2-6.

TODDLER

BETHESDA

Time For Twos

Thursdays, December 3, 10, 10:30 AM. Stories, songs, rhymes and early literacy activities. Ages 24 to 36 months.

CHEVY CHASE

Toddler Time!*

Tuesdays, December 1, 8 and 15 and every Tuesday in January and February, 10:15 and 11 AM Stories, rhymes and songs. Ages 18-36 months.

DAMASCUS

Time For Two's Story Time*

Thursdays, December 3, January 21, February 4, 18; 10:30 AM. Stories, songs, rhymes, activities, and a craft. Pre-registration required.

DAVIS

Time for Two's

Wednesdays, December 9, January 13, February 10, 10:15 AM
Puppets, flannel boards, songs and much more Ages 24 months - 3 years.

GAITHERSBURG

Toddler Storytime Holiday Stories

Wednesdays, December 16, January 20, February 17, 10:30 AM. Stories, rhymes, music and movement. Ages 18 months - 3 years.





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Share stories, songs and fingerplays designed to enrich your child's language development. (Children must be accompanied by adult or caregiver)

GERMANTOWN

Time for Twos

Fridays, January 15, February 12, 10:15 AM A special story time for two year olds (24-35 months). No siblings, please.

Toddler Time

Fridays, January 22, February 19, 10:15 AM A special story time for walkers 12 to 23 months. If your baby is still content to sit and bounce in one place, try Lapsit Rhyme Time. No siblings, please.

KENSINGTON PARK

Small One-ders Storytime*

Mondays, December 7, January 4, February 1, 10 AM Stories, rhymes, bounces, and songs. Ages 12 to 24 months.

Time for Two's Storytime

Mondays, December 14, January 11, February 8, 10 AM. Stories, fingerplays, songs, and stretches. Ages 24 to 36 months.

LITTLE FALLS

Preschool Storytime

Fridays, December 4, 18; January 8, 22, February 5, 10:30 AM. Books, music, and activities. Ages 2 to 6.

POOLESVILLE

Twos Storytime

Thursdays, December 10, January 21, February 18, 10:30 AM. Stories, fingerplays and music. 2 years.

ROCKVILLE

Storytime for 2's and 3's

Fridays, January 15, February 12, 10:15 AM Saturdays, January 23, February 20, 10:15 AM

SILVER SPRING

Born to Read

Tuesdays, December 8, 22; January 5, 19 February 2, 16. 10:15 AM Lively rhymes, songs, stories, and movement. Birth - 2 years.

WHITE OAK

Cuddle-ups

Tuesdays, December 8, January 12, 26, February 9, 23, 10:15 AM Stories, songs and rhymes. Ages 6 months- 2 years.

BABY

BETHESDA

Born to Read

Tuesdays, December 1, 8, 10:30 AM Stories, rhymes, songs, chants, sign language and early literacy. For babies.

DAMASCUS

Small One-ders Story Time

Fridays, December 11, January 22, February 5 and 19, 10:30 AM Rhymes, songs, fingerplays, stories. Newborn to 24 months.

DAVIS

Baby Bug Lapsit

Tuesday, December 8, January 12, February 9 10:15 AM Storytime with Miss Gale, Puppets, Ages 23

Storytime with Miss Gale. Puppets. Ages 23 months and younger.

GAITHERSBURG

Baby Storytime

Wednesdays, December 9, January 13, February 10, 10:30 AM Stories, rhymes, songs and bounces/ fingerplays. Babies birth to 18 months and with an adult caregivers.

GERMANTOWN

Lapsit Rhyme Time

Fridays, January 29, February 26, 10:15 AM A special story time for babies birth to 11 months content to sit and bounce in one place. If your baby is walking, try Toddler Time. No siblings, please.

LITTLE FALLS

Storytime for Babies and Ones

Wednesdays, December 2, 23; January 13, 27, February 10, 24, 10:15 and 10:45 AM Introduce your child to the joys of reading with books, fingerplays, and music especially for children from birth to 24 months.

LONG BRANCH

Born-To-Read /Babies Storytime

Wednesdays, December 9, January 13, February 10, 10:30 AM. For children 0 to 23 months. Babies and parents or caregivers share nursery rhymes, fingerplays and appropriate age books. There will be about 15 minutes for floor free play interaction with your babies. Toys and books are provided.

MARILYN J. PRAISNER

Cuddleups*

Tuesdays, December 1, January 5, 10:30 AM Rhymes, songs, and fingerplays. 2 years.

QUINCE ORCHARD

Mother Goose Time

Tuesdays, December 15, January 26, February 23, 10:15 AM. Stories, songs, fingerplays and music. 24 months old.

ROCKVILLE

Cuddle ups for pre-walkers

Fridays, January 8, February 19, 10:15 AM Stories, songs, and rhymes. Ages 0-12 months.

Cuddle ups for walkers

Saturdays, January 16, February 27, 10:15 AM Stories, songs, and rhymes. Ages 12 to 24 months.

SILVER SPRING

Born To Read

Tuesdays, December 8, 22; January 5, 19; February 2, 16, 10:15 and 11 AM. Rhymes, songs, stories, and movement. Birth through age 2.

TWINBROOK

Baby Program

Wednesdays, December 16, January 20, February 17, 10:30 AM. Stories, songs with musical instruments, chants, rhymes, and finger plays. Ages 0-24 months.

WHEATON

CuddleUps

Fridays, December 11, 18; January 8, 22; February 12, 19; 10:15 and 11:15 AM. Stories, tickles, fingerplays. Birth-24 mos. Free tickets are required and will be available immediately before each program. Limit one ticket per child and no more than one adult per child.

WHITE OAK

Cuddle-ups

Tuesday, December 22, 10:15 AM Simple stories, songs and rhymes. Ages 6 months to 2 years.



LOCATIONS

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BETHESDA

7400 Arlington Road Bethesda, MD 20814 240-777-0970 MON, THU: 10-9; FRI: 10-5 SAT: 9-5, SUN: 12-5

CHEVY CHASE

8005 Connecticut Avenue Chevy Chase, MD 20815 240-773-9590 MON: 9-8:30; TUE, WED: 10-8:30 THU, FRI: 10-5; SAT: 9-5

DAMASCUS

9701 Main Street Damascus, MD 20872 240-773-9444 MON, TUE, THU: 9:30-8:30 WED: 1-8:30, FRI: 9:30-5 SAT: 10-5

DAVIS

6400 Democracy Boulevard Bethesda, MD 20817 240-777-0922 MON, TUE, WED: 10-9 THU, FRI: 10-5; SAT: 9-5

GAITHERSBURG

18330 Montgomery Village Ave. Gaithersburg, MD 20879 240-773-9490 MON, TUE, WED, THU: 10-9 FRI: 10-5; SAT: 9-5; SUN: 12-5

GERMANTOWN

19840 Century Boulevard Germantown, MD 20874 240-777-0110 MON, TUE, THU: 10-9 WED: 1-9; FRI: 10-5 SAT: 9-5; SUN: 12-5

KENSINGTON PARK

4201 Knowles Avenue Kensington, MD 20895 240-773-9515 MON, TUE, WED: 10-9 THU, FRI, SAT: 10-5

LITTLE FALLS

5501 Massachusetts Avenue Bethesda, MD 20816 240-773-9520 MON, TUE, WED: 10-8:30 THU, FRI: 10-5; SAT: 9-5

LONG BRANCH

8800 Garland Avenue Silver Spring, MD 20901 240-777-0910 MON, TUE, WED: 10-9 THU: 1-9; FRI, SAT: 10-5

MARILYN J. PRAISNER (FAIRLAND)

14910 Old Columbia Pike Burtonsville, MD 20866 240-773-9460 MON, TUE, THU: 10-9 WED: 1-9, FRI, SAT: 10-5 SUN: 12-5

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10237 Carroll Place Kensington, MD 20895 240-773-9570 TUE, THU: 9-5; SAT: 9-5 MON, WED, FRI: CLOSED

OLNEY

3500 Olney-Laytonsville Road Olney, MD 20832 240-773-9545 MON, TUE, WED: 10-9 THU, FRI: 10-5 SAT: 9-5; SUN: 12-5

POOLESVILLE

19633 Fisher Avenue Poolesville, MD 20837 240-773-9550 MON, TUE, WED: 2-9 THU: 10-9; FRI, SAT: 10-5

POTOMAC

10101 Glenolden Drive Potomac, MD 20854 240-777-0690 MON, TUE, WED: 10-9 THU, FRI: 10-5; SAT: 9-5

QUINCE ORCHARD

15831 Quince Orchard Road Gaithersburg, MD 20878 240-777-0200 MON. TUE. THU: 10-9 WED: 1-9; FRI, SAT: 10-5

ROCKVILLE

21 Maryland Avenue Rockville, MD 20850 240-777-0140 MON, TUE, WED, THU: 9:30-8:30 FRI: 10-5; SAT: 9-5; SUN: 12-5

SILVER SPRING

8901 Colesville Road Silver Spring, MD 20910 240-773-9420 MON, TUE, THU: 10-9 WED: 1-9; FRI, SAT: 10-5 SUN: 12-5

TWINBROOK

202 Meadow Hall Drive Rockville, MD 20851 240-777-0240 MON, TUE, WED, THU: 10-8:30 FRI, SAT: 10-5

WHEATON

11701 Georgia Ave Wheaton, MD 20902 240-777-0678 MON, TUE, WED, THU: 10-9 FRI: 10-5; SAT: 9-5; SUN: 12-5

WHITE OAK

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